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“Faces” Exhibit Explores Facial Expressions in Photography and Clay

Gaithersburg, MD (January 17, 2020) Gaithersburg’s *Arts on the Green* presents “Faces,” an exhibit featuring works by the North Bethesda Camera Club (NBCC) as juried by studio portrait photographer Jill Bochicchio, along with three dimensional works by Lilija Lakickaite. The exhibit is on display January 31 through March 23, 2020, at the Arts Barn, 311 Kent Square Road. Viewing hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 1:30 to 5 p.m. The public is invited to meet the artists during a free Artists Reception on Thursday, February 6 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Whether they be grand or intimate portraits or everyday images of people, featured works in this exhibit showcase the broad range of emotions that can be conveyed by facial expressions in humans and animals. The exhibit emphasizes cultural diversity and inclusion.

Featured three-dimensional artist Lilija Lakickaite is a native of Lithuania who now lives and works in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, where she is a florist and clay sculptor. She creates whimsical portrait pieces as well as interesting pot and vase shapes. Her work can be viewed online [here](#).

The [North Bethesda Camera Club](#) has been recognized locally and nationally for the wide range of photographic expertise of its 140 members, including professional photographers, advanced amateurs, and beginning photographers. One of the oldest camera clubs in the Washington, D.C. area, NBCC’s monthly programs include presentations by well-known photographers, as well as tutorial sessions on technical aspects of photography. The Club also sponsors field trips and holds monthly competitions for all forms of photography, including traditional black and white and color prints and digital images. In 2002, *Nature’s Best Photography* magazine initiated a Camera Club category for its fifth annual International Photography Competition, and NBCC was pleased to be the first place winner of this prestigious award in its inaugural year. Juried exhibits have been displayed in many local galleries, including Strathmore Gallery, Brookside Gardens, Glenview Mansion, Sandy Spring Museum, BlackRock Center for the Arts, Kentlands Mansion, Gaithersburg Arts Barn, Oasis Gallery, and the Friendship Heights Village Community Center.

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Please note that some of the artwork is for sale and all images are copyrighted by the artists. For more information, please contact Shellie Williams at 301-258-6350 or e-mail shellie.williams@gaitHERsburgmd.gov.

The *Arts on the Green* visual arts program is funded in part by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC). To discover more about MSAC grants and how they impact Maryland's arts sector, visit www.msac.org.

About *Arts on the Green*

Arts on the Green is the City of Gaithersburg's home for the performing and visual arts. Enjoy exhibits, concerts and theater performances at the [Arts Barn](#) and [Kentlands Mansion](#) and outdoor events and festivals on the park-like Green. Or join us for educational opportunities in one of our teaching studios, resident artist studios or theatre. Our historic buildings recall the charm of a bygone era, but our activities are anything but old fashioned. For more information, call 301-258-6394, find us at gaithersburgmd.gov or follows us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#) @ArtsOnTheGreen.

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